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## Tectonophysics

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THERMAL RECORD OF THE ESCALANTE DESERT, UTAH, WITH AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWCASTLE GEOTHERMAL SYSTEM  
J. S. Chapin (Department of Geology and Geophysics, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112), M. O. Clement, and Charles W. Hase. Twenty-five new heat flow measurements are presented for the Escalante Desert region within the Great Basin of the western U.S. Heat flow, excluding geothermal areas, ranges from 43 to 350 mW m<sup>-2</sup> but such of the variability may be caused by deeply circulating groundwater re-distributing the geothermal heat. A subset of 10 sites drilled specifically to characterize the heat flow of the region yielded a mean of 100 mW m<sup>-2</sup> with a standard deviation of 22 mW m<sup>-2</sup>. A comparison of thermal conductivities of solid cylindrical discs and rock chips (pyrolytic to andalusite tuffs) confirmed the importance of contact corrections to thermal conductivity measurements.

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AN ANALYTICAL MODEL OF HEAT FLOW IN THE ESCALANTE DESERT, UTAH  
J. S. Chapin (Department of Geology and Geophysics, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112), M. O. Clement, and Charles W. Hase. A model of heat flow in the Escalante Desert region is presented. The model is based on the assumption that the heat flow is controlled by the geothermal gradient and the thermal conductivity of the rocks. The model is compared with the heat flow measurements and the results are discussed.

**8122 Plate Tectonics**  
THE PELUSIUM MEGASHEAR SYSTEM ACROSS AFRICA AND ASSOCIATED LITHOSPHERIC DEFORMATION  
D. Nave (Geological Survey of Israel, 30 Hashikim St., P.O. Box 100, Jerusalem, Israel) J. K. Hall and J. M. Smit. The Pelusium Megashear System (Nave, 1977) extends from the "border zone" of Anatolia, along the Nile Delta to the delta of the Niger in the Gulf of Guinea. It appears to continue beyond Africa, into the Atlantic Ocean. It has functioned since Precambrian times. At least four other geotectonic systems cross Africa, paralleling the Pelusium System and similarly continuing into the Atlantic as fracture zones.

**8123 Structure of the Lithosphere**  
ON INCLINED FEATURES IN THE ICELAND RESEARCH DRILL CORE  
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**8125 General or Miscellaneous**  
CONSTRAINTS ON GEOTECTONIC STRAIN RATES: ARGUMENTS FROM FINITE STRAIN STATES OF NATURALLY DEFORMED ROCKS  
D. A. Pfiffner (Geologisches Institut, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zurich, Switzerland) J. G. Ramsay. The values of the finite strains in rocks deformed during natural geological deformation processes are summarized. These data are compared with models of strain accumulation by processes of progressive pure shear (the most efficient way of building finite strain from a specific strain rate) and progressive simple shear (a geologically common process, but a less efficient way of building finite strain from a specific strain rate). The geological data are best interpreted by dislocation strain rates between 10<sup>-12</sup> and 10<sup>-14</sup> sec<sup>-1</sup>.

## Editorial

### Is Deferred Giving for You?

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The *charitable remainder trust* is similar, but in this case each donor normally establishes his or her individual trust. The trust's assets would revert to the AGU upon the death of the beneficiary or at another specified time. On the other hand, in a *charitable lead trust* the AGU would receive income from the trust up to a specified event or date and then the trust is distributed to other beneficiaries in accordance with its terms.

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All gifts are, of course, deductible for U.S. income tax purposes. There may be substantial tax advantages if ap-

preciated securities are donated. If you are in the middle or upper tax brackets, it is possible to plan your gift such that the government is, in effect, making the lion's share of your contribution.

Many of us in the AGU who are senior citizens are perhaps having an easier time in the midst of inflation than the average citizen. First, there are the usual reasons: our security has already been established; our children, for the most part, are grown, gone, and on their own; our needs are less than earlier in life; our houses are often paid for; many of our insurance policies have matured; and on and on.

Second, many of us are on federal retirement, Social Security, or both, and these systems have provisions for inflation.

The fact is that many of us who are senior citizens are in a good position to make a contribution to the Union GIFT Fund. Some can and, we hope, will make substantial contributions. But each individual is the best arbiter of his or her own situation. Only you can make the decision.

Whether your gift is to be immediate, deferred, or a combination, in the words of our Union President, Tuzo Wilson: "Consider what AGU has done and is doing for you and what you can now do."

John Reed  
Steering Committee  
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## News

### Hottest U.S. Geothermal Find

A geothermal test hole drilled 810 m into the summit crater of Newberry Volcano in Oregon measured 180°C, the hottest temperature measured so far in a United States geothermal energy prospect. What's more, a high temperature gradient discovered in the lower sixth of the test hole may point to greater potential than was previously thought for geothermal energy in the Cascade Range.

Scientists from the U.S. Geological Survey, led by David Blackwell of Southern Methodist University, found that in the hole's lower 140 m the temperature rose at a rate equivalent to about 600°C per kilometer. The worldwide continental average is about 30°C per kilometer.

Additional tests are needed to determine if there would be enough flow to allow a power generation plant to convert geothermal energy to electricity. There is little or no flow now.

The high gradient tends to confirm a theory that the low temperature at shallow depths . . . may reflect more the effects of shallow lateral flow of cool groundwater rather than the real geothermal energy potential," according to Robert Tilling, chief of the USGS Office of Geophysics and Geochemistry. These low temperatures in shallow depths have discouraged previous geothermal exploration in the nearby Cascade Range, he explained. "We think the high precipitation and generally high rate of groundwater recharge in the Pacific Northwest have combined to dilute and cool its geothermally heated water and to lower its rock temperatures at shallow depths during the past thousand years or so."

Similar encouraging results were reported at a Mount Hood test well and in the Canadian Cascades. Tests completed at Mount Hood at the end of July showed that the water temperature at a depth of 1219.2 m was about 80°C; flow rate was about 7 l/s. While not unusual on its own, the wells' yield, combined with that of Newberry Volcano, could encourage increased geothermal exploration. And the heat on in the Canadian Cascades as well. Geothermal exploration project scientists measured temperatures higher than 200°C in the Meagher Creek area of British Columbia. In addition, eruptions during the last year and a half from Mount St. Helens manifest the internal heat and geothermal activity in the Cascade Range.

### Arctic Ice Core: Clue to Ancient Climates

An international team of researchers recently drilled 2,037 m to bedrock in the Greenland Ice Sheet and extracted the longest ice core ever retrieved in the arctic region, according to information from the National Science Foundation. The core, from a site called Dye 3 in southeastern Greenland, will enable scientists to learn more about the climates and environments that existed during the past 100,000 years. The cores will be examined for traces of repetitive climate cycles; from these studies, projections may be made on future climate.

The Dye 3 drilling project is the second one in which bedrock was reached in Greenland. In 1986, a 1,387 m core was extracted at the Camp Century site in northwestern Greenland. A longer core (2,164 m) was obtained in Antarctica at Byrd Station.

Tiny bubbles of air trapped in the 10-cm-diameter, 2-m-long core sections are clues to the prehistoric earth's atmosphere; dust in the ice reveals volcanic activity. Ancient temperatures can be determined by the ratio of two forms of oxygen.

Researchers from Denmark (led by Willi Dansgaard) and from Switzerland (headed by Hans Oeschger) joined with U.S. scientists (led by Chester C. Langway, Jr., of the State University of New York at Buffalo) in the Greenland Ice Sheet Program (GISP). GISP's two main goals are to learn more about how ice sheets flow and to study chemicals and particles in the ice to improve knowledge of global climate.

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Literature, are *The King's Mirror* and *The Poetic Edda*.

Written as a conversation between a father and his son, *The King's Mirror* was most likely written around 1230 A.D., and certainly before 1293 A.D. The long-forgotten author is believed to have lived in the middle of Norway, south of the Arctic Circle. One conversation clearly centers on the aurora: "That matter you have often inquired about what can be (sic) and which the Greenlanders call the northern lights (norðurljós); the father told his son, 'I have no clear knowledge about it. I have often met people who have spent a long time in Greenland, and they do not seem to know definitely what it is either.'"

Nevertheless, in a later conversation, the father offers explanations of the aurora: "Because some believe that fire circles about the ocean and all the bodies of water that stream about on the outer sides of the globe; and since Greenland lies on the outermost edge of the earth to the north, they think it is possible that these lights shine forth from the fires that encircle the outer ocean. Others have suggested that during the hours of the night, when the sun's course is beneath the earth, an occasional gleam of its light may shoot up into the sky; for they insist that Greenland lies so far out on the earth's edge that the curved surface which shuts out the sunlight must be less prominent there. But there are still others who believe (and it seems to me likely) that the frost and the glaciers have become so powerful there that they are able to radiate forth these flames."

The father probably never saw the aurora, but heard about it from people visiting Greenland, Brekke and Egeland say. If this is true, then there are good reasons to believe that the aurora was an uncommon phenomenon in Norway in the middle of the 13th century. They continue, "Since the aurora was known in Greenland, however, it must be concluded that the oval either was very much shrunken (sic) with respect to the present oval or that the oval was situated differently with respect to present position."

Statements relating the aurora to poems in the epic *The Poetic Edda* often are based on misconceptions, Brekke and Egeland maintain. The *Edda* is a collection of poems that may date back to 700 A.D. but were written mostly between 1000 and 1100 A.D. When Icelandic Finnur Magnússon translated the hero-idolizing poems in 1821 (the first time the *Edda* was completely translated), he was strongly influenced by mythology and national romanticism, the authors say. Magnússon's translation of the poems embodies a large gallery of gods, heroes, and giants who personified certain forces and phenomena in nature. For example, he attributed the northern lights to the reflections of the Valkyries' shields. Such indirect reference is odd, Brekke and Egeland say, because other natural phenomena like rainbows, airglow, and lightning are plainly referred to in the *Edda*. It is clear, they say, that the authors of the poems in the *Edda* were aware of optical visions in the air, and it is puzzling that the aurora do not receive similar treatment.

So, Brekke and Egeland searched for an explanation. They believe, from their review of geomagnetic, paleomagnetic, and solar studies, that low solar activity accompanied by a strong magnetic field caused the auroral oval to move toward the pole, thereby making the aurora an uncommon site in parts of Scandinavia and Greenland. Variation in the

strength of the geomagnetic dipole field, they explain, will move the auroral oval poleward if solar activity is constant.—BTR. %

## New Geophysics Institute at U Texas

A new Institute for Geophysics has been established at the University of Texas at Austin. It will administer ongoing research programs in the university's geophysics laboratory in Galveston, Texas. Home base for UT's two research ships, the Galveston lab had been a unit of the university's Marine Science Institute and some related research programs in the geological sciences department.

Paul Donoho, a research scientist at the Galveston lab, has been appointed acting director of the institute. %

## Geophysicists

Three of the eight scientists appointed to the Atlantic Richfield Company's new Science Advisory Council are AGU members. *Leon T. Silver* (Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences at Caltech), *Laurence Louis Sloss* (Department of Geological Sciences, Northwestern University), and *Robert White* (University Corporation for Atmospheric Research) will join council chairman Philip Handler, former president of the National Academy of Sciences, in advising the company on emerging and future technologies.



*Priscilla C. Grew* has been appointed by California Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr., as a Commissioner of the California Public Utilities Commission in San Francisco. She was formerly the director of the California Division of Conservation, which includes the California Division of Mines and Geology.

*Peter W. Hacker* recently began a 2-year term as program director of the Physical Oceanography Program at the National Science Foundation. He succeeds *Ya Hsueh*, who has returned to Florida State University following a 1-year stint at NSF. Hacker was program director of the Physical Oceanography Program for 3 years prior to Hsueh's term. Previously, Hacker was at the Johns Hopkins University and the Chesapeake Bay Institute.

*Peter Niller* has been appointed a Distinguished Visiting Scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. A leading au-

## Forum

### Methane

I was surprised to read (*Eos*, 62(32), 618, 1981) that a Caltech-Gulf Research and Development Company gas emission monitoring study along the San Andreas rift zone has so far recorded no methane. The same study credits me with finding methane along the East Pacific Rise, in Tibet, and in other exotic locations. However, right here in our own backyard my laboratory has been monitoring methane emissions at more than a dozen sites for more than 5 years, on the San Andreas, San Jacinto, and Escondido faults (*Craig et al.*, 1980a). These data have been reported to USGS at 6-month intervals, to Cal Tech on a number of occasions, and presented at AGU meetings (*Craig et al.*, 1980a). Your story clearly does not inspire great confidence in industry's exploration for new natural gas deposits.

For the record, methane may be found [*Craig et al.*, 1980b] at sites along the San Andreas in Southern California in the following concentrations (cc (STP)/kg of water): Arrowhead Hot Springs (0.04), Desert Hot Springs (0.004), Palm Springs (0.03), and in the Salton Sea area at Hot Mineral Well (0.20), Bashford's Baths (0.60), Pilling Well (0.40), and at Niland Slab Well (0.5 to 0.05, decreasing with time). Methane is also found at four sites on the Escondido fault and two sites on the San Jacinto. Concentrations up to 1.5 cc/kg are found at Murrieta Hot Springs and Eden Hot Springs. Admittedly, these are not Lake Kivu concentrations, but our data do indicate that methane occurs in easily measurable concentrations almost everywhere along these major fault systems where hot springs and thermal wells are found. We monitor our sites at monthly intervals and will be happy to provide guides and porters to Gulf's methane sniffers.

H. Craig  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography  
University of California at San Diego

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thority on the physics of large-scale, long-term circulation of the oceans and the interaction between the upper layers of the ocean and the lower layers of the atmosphere, Niller has been a professor of oceanography since 1974 at Oregon State University. He was previously a professor of oceanography at Nova University in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and has held research appointments at Harvard University and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

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### Deconvolution of Geophysical Time Series in the Exploration for Oil and Natural Gas

Manuel T. Silvia and Enders A. Robinson, *Dev. in Petroleum Sci.*, vol. 10, Elsevier, New York, xii + 261 pp., 1979, \$49.75.

Reviewed by Ralph Wiggins

This book fills a long-standing gap in the geophysical literature. It is a nearly complete discussion of the theory of predictive deconvolution. The presentation is well organized, consistent, and generally easy to read. Before this book appeared, most of the relevant theory had been published in papers, many of which were authored or coauthored by Robinson. These papers were written at different levels, were often repetitive from one to another, and did not always have consistent use of symbols. Nevertheless, a collection of these papers was the best available source for learning about the theoretical intricacies of deconvolution.

The major thrust of the book is divided into three parts: (1) a discussion of the geologic and statistical models that are the basis of predictive deconvolution, (2) a discussion of homomorphic analysis and spectral factorization, and (3) a discussion of predictive deconvolution. The modeling section gives a clear statement of the assumptions necessary for the derivation and justification of predictive deconvolution. It also shows why predictive deconvolution is a reasonable approach, at least for decoding the signals from plane waves traveling in a plane-layered earth. The section on homomorphic analysis is perhaps the best description of this subject that I have seen. The authors give an admirable presentation of how homomorphic analysis ties together many of the apparently unrelated aspects of the algebra of deconvolution. The third section on deconvolution is also excellent. The authors discuss the theory of least square filter design for predictive and gapped deconvolution, various methods for estimating autocorrelations, Burg's algorithm, homomorphic deconvolution, and state-space filtering. All of these discussions are lucid and balanced without evidence

of 'beating a drum' for any particular method. Historical precedents are given for many of the developments.

Attached to the beginning of the book is a chapter describing seismic field techniques. At the end of the book is a chapter illustrating and listing a set of subroutines that perform most of the operations discussed in the more theoretical sections. Even though I know that many readers will find the subroutines useful, these terminal chapters seem somewhat out of place with respect to the style of the rest of the book.

In fact, the style of this book is its most curious feature. It seems to be a mathematics book written in English. Any theorems or proofs present are thinly disguised as discussion. Frequently, abstract symbols are replaced by words. The book contains a lot of physical motivation and yet there are no practical examples, neither seismograms nor exercises. For example, we are left to accept the authors' assurance that the reflection seismic method was 'greatly enhanced by the introduction of digital deconvolution.' Similarly, the authors have presented computer routines with no mention of any associated numerical problems. Neither the need for adding a small constant to the center term of the autocorrelation in order to stabilize the inversion of the normal equations, the practical effects of short gap intervals or filter length on deconvolution outputs, nor the serious consequences for homomorphic deconvolution caused by the nonrobustness of phase unwrapping algorithms are ever mentioned. Anyone who applies the subroutines as presented may encounter a few surprises.

My conclusion is that this is a very informative book that is neither theoretical nor practical. It would be of interest to students and research-oriented professionals. It is generally easy to read even when there seems to be an excess of words in some parts, and it covers most of the theoretical properties of predictive deconvolution. There is no hint of recent trends in the seismic exploration industry toward using adaptive filters or using nonlinear design criteria to exploit the non-Gaussian statistics of reflection seismograms.

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## New Listings

Items listed in New Publications can be ordered directly from the publisher; they are not available through AGU.

**Aquaculture Economics: Basic Concepts and Methods of Analysis.** Y. C. Shang, Westview Press, Boulder, Colorado, xvi + 153 pp., 1981, \$20.00.

**Aquatic Chemistry: An Introduction Emphasizing Chemical Equilibria in Natural Waters.** 2nd ed., W. Stumm and J. J. Morgan, John Wiley, New York, xiv + 780 pp., 1981, \$45.00.

**Bottom-Interacting Ocean Acoustics.** W. A. Kuperman and F. B. Jensen (Eds.), Plenum, New York, xi + 717 pp., 1980, \$75.00.

**Climate's Impact on Food Supplies: Strategies and Technologies for Climate-Defensive Food Production.** L. E. Slater and S. K. Levin (Eds.), Westview Press, Boulder, Colorado, xvii + 243 pp., 1981, \$22.00.

**Earthquake Risk and Damage Functions: Application to New Madrid, B. Liu, C. Hsieh, R. Gustafson, O. Nutt, and R. Gentile,** Westview Press, Boulder, Colorado, xvii + 297 pp., 1981, \$32.00.

**The Estuarine Ecosystem.** D. S. McLusky, John Wiley, New York, viii + 160 pp., 1981.

**Facies Interpretation and the Stratigraphic Record.** A. H. H. Lam, W. H. Freeman, San Francisco, California, xii + 291 pp., 1981, \$27.95. (hardbound).

**Free Oscillations of the Earth.** E. R. Lapwood and T. Usami, Cambridge University Press, New York, xii + 243 pp., 1981, \$49.95.

**A Guide to Obtaining Information From the USGS, 1981.** USGS, 42 pp., 1981. (Available free of charge from the U.S. Geological Survey, Text Products Section, Eastern Distribution Branch, 604 South Pickett St., Alexandria, VA 22304.)

**Sedimentary Petrology: An Introduction.** M. E. Tucker, John Wiley, New York, viii + 252 pp., 1981, \$29.95.

**Spaceborne Synthetic Aperture Radar for Oceanography.** R. C. Beal, P. S. DeLeonibus, and I. Katz (Eds.), Johns Hopkins Press, Baltimore, Maryland, 215 pp., 1981, \$19.50 (hardcover).



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Shaw has been an associate professor since 1979; before that he was an assistant professor for 5 years. Prior to receiving his Ph.D. in geology from the University of Washington in 1971, he served 1 year as a research associate in geophysics and geology at Washington. He was a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Edinburgh for 1 year and served as an assistant professor at the Florida International University for 2 years.

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## Meetings

### QSA Symposia: Call For Papers

A call for papers has been issued for two symposia slated for the Rocky Mountain Sectional Meeting of the Geological Society of America. The two symposia, "Structure and Tectonic Evolution of the Fold-and-Thrust Belt" and "Geologic Aspects of the Disposal of High-Level Nuclear Waste in Igneous Rocks," will be held in Bozeman, Mont., on May 7-8, 1982.

The 1-to-2-day symposium on fold-and-thrust belts will be subdivided into three general categories: structural geology of the western Montana fold-and-thrust belt; tectonics and regional geophysics of the northwestern United States; and oil and gas resources of the northern Rocky Mountain fold-and-thrust belt. Submit one copy of the abstract by November 15 to the symposium chairman: David Lagoon, Department of Earth Sciences, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717.

The one-half-to-full-day symposium on nuclear-waste disposal will emphasize the hydrogeologic, geochemical, mineralogic-petrographic, structural, and thermal-mechanical aspects of the problem. Papers that treat the basic science of high-level nuclear waste disposal in igneous rocks will be preferred to project progress reports. Send one copy of the abstract to Klaus Kell, symposium chairman, Department of Geology and Institute of Meteoritics, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131; deadline is November 15.

### Space Simulation Conference

A call for papers has been issued for the 12th Space Simulation Conference, entitled "Shuttle Plus One: A New View of Space." The purpose of the conference, to be held in Pasadena, Calif., from May 17 to 19, 1982, is to provide a forum for the review and the exchange of information and ideas on current space simulation technology and closely related disciplines. Projections for testing requirements and technology development for the coming decade also will be discussed.



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about 100 kyr; the 7 event with the Banks River event at 480  $\pm$  50; and the 8 event, not recorded elsewhere, is estimated to have occurred at  $\sim$ 620 kyr. These proposed refinements in the age estimates of the excursions suggest an approximately 100 kyr cyclicity. If the events are real and the revised dating is correct, the timing of the geomagnetic events seems to coincide with times of peak eccentricity of the earth's orbit, suggesting a causal connection. (Geomagnetic excursions, eccentricity).

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RADIOGRAPHIC AND PALEOMAGNETIC EVIDENCE FOR THE  
DOOPER REVERSED POLARITY EVENT AT  $0.46 \pm 0.05$   
M.Y. IN LAKE LAVA FLOWS FROM THE EASTERN SNAKE  
RIVER PLATE, IDAHO

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**Abstract.** K-Ar and paleomagnetic dates from  
corals through a sequence of basalt flows in the  
brief (0.05-0.1 m.y.) interval between the  
reversed Alvarado Plinian eruption and the  
geomagnetic field 0.46 m.y. reversal of the  
reversed polarity event has also been given.  
This lower-floor magnetic unambiguously and in sediment  
cores it is probably the Dooper event of Ryan  
[1972].

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3121 Glaciology  
STATIC ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY AS AN INDICATOR  
OF THE SULFATE CONTENT OF POLAR ICE CORES  
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Fast atmospheric sulfate contents in ice cores recorded in polar snow and ice. A simple method based on electrical conductivity measurements on ice cores has been proposed recently to easily detect atmospheric sulfate changes caused by violent volcanic eruptions in the past. It shows that this method is particularly useful when used in central polar regions where the application must be done carefully when aging in application records. It is shown that sulfate contents or variously dissolved by which aging effects are able to find conductivity and electrical properties.  
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2799 General  
ERROR IN BALIST FLIGHT MEASUREMENTS OF ATMOSPHERIC  
PRESSURE TO INSTRUMENT WALL-LOSS  
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Laboratory of Planetary Atmospheres, Greenbelt,  
Maryland 20771), J. L. McGraw, and S. L. Wood  
Theory suggests that in low-altitude flow the percent  
loss of a trace constituent to the walls of a  
measuring instrument varies as  $P^{1/2}$ , where  $P$  is  
the total pressure. Preliminary laboratory  
experiments and measurements confirm this  $P^{1/2}$   
dependence. A quantitative assessment of wall-loss is  
thus of particular importance for low-speed balloon-  
borne instrument readings leading flow at  
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1970 Explosive Seismology  
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SEISMOLOGY DATA FROM THE EASTERN SNAKE RIVER  
PLAIN, IDAHO  
Z. P. Molodtsov and J. G. Orlov (Geological Research  
Institute, 4-013), Scripta Institutionis  
Geographicae, La Jolla, California, 1970, 100  
pages, 12 illustrations. Price \$1.00. The data from seismic  
deflection profiles within the Snake River Plain, a  
volcanic-tectonic depression, are used to determine the ideal  
elastic structure. The data is the vicinity  
of the youngest, central volcano, and the  
presence of the pronounced of a significant  
low velocity zone in the lower crust at  
depths between 20 and 30 km. The  
existence of a seismic at short ranges resulting  
from the crust-mantle transition. Data to  
the west are consistent with the  
existence of a seismic zone with depth.  
These observations are consistent with other  
data indicating a volcanic depression  
toward the northwest, the dated  
progression of volcanics from the southwest to  
the northeast, and surface wave dispersion studies.  
The velocity structures required by the data  
presented are consistent with the  
one are almost certainly related to elevated  
temperatures in the lower crust which approach  
or exceed the solidus temperature.  
The entire crustal section in the  
Snake River Plain is characterized by  
a low velocity zone, which is  
related to the first-order discontinuity with  
the possible exception of the Hobo or crustal  
discontinuity.  
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100 PONDAGE IN THE INTERPRETATION OF MARINE  
101 DATA  
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103 J. H. Pury (Hoods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Hoods  
104 Hole, Massachusetts 02545)  
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106 **Abstract:** The effects of the application of Log<sub>e</sub>  
107 corrections to depth measurements to obtain water column seismic  
108 data are described. Synthetic travel time data are  
109 generated and the effects of the Log<sub>e</sub> correction on the data  
110 introduced by the water column are inferior to  
111 corrections for the true water path. Water  
112 column corrections place the slant at the ray entry  
113 point of the seafloor and require no assumptions  
114 concerning the structure under investigation and  
115 hence the correct direction of the data with  
116 regard to the Log<sub>e</sub> correction can be determined.  
117 A correction applied during the stacking operation  
118 will compress the observed data into intercept  
119 time and the Log<sub>e</sub> correction will regularize the  
120 data to make determinations of slowness and for  
121 corrections involving velocity receiver and source  
122 location errors. The Log<sub>e</sub> correction will not  
123 flow with complete objectivity. Water path  
124 corrected stacks from different locations may therefore  
125 be compared. The Log<sub>e</sub> correction will not correct  
126 differences due to real structural changes and it  
127 is tgeographic correction errors or to invalid  
128 assumptions.

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130 *C. Geophys. Res., Vol. 8, Paper 131379*

**52019 TYPHREAN SEA)**  
 Di. Paolo, P. Gargipoli (Istituto di Geologia e Geofisica, Università di Napoli, L.go S. Maritello 10, Napoli, Italy), M.-S. Moutouan, U. Nardelli, G. Capaldi, Y.T. Guez, A. Prev. A factor of 10 increase in the Rn concentration in a shallow aquifer forerunning a shallow seismic zone was observed at the island Vulcano (Aeolian Island arc). The peak Rn anomaly preceded by about one month the eruptive swarm, which had a cumulative magnitude of 3.5. This time lag between the two phenomena is much longer than expected, given the small size of the island. The time-lag observed here may not have a direct cause-effect relationship, but they both can be a consequence of a tectonic phenomenon (Earthquake prediction, 1981, vulcano).

ABSTRACT  
 1. **WATER CONTENT OF GROUNDWATER AS A  
 2. EARTHQUAKE PRECURSOR: EVALUATION OF WORLD-  
 3. WIDE DATA AND PHYSICAL BASIS**  
 4. I. Saksoum (Department of Geological  
 5. Sciences and Lamont-Doherty Geological  
 6. Observatory of Columbia University, Palisades,  
 7. New York 10964 USA)  
 8. The properties of a world-wide data set  
 9. of (b) (4) anomalies (the frequency  
 10. of occurrence)

respective magnitude and epicentral distance. These anomalies were reported previously for earthquakes in the U.S., S.S.R., China, Japan, and Iceland. Although the data set is incomplete as limited by experimental deficiencies, several consistent patterns emerge.

Radon anomalies from different tectonic regions show similar patterns. The radon anomalies occur at greater epicentral distances for earthquakes of the larger magnitude. Anomalies preceding large earthquakes ( $M \geq 6$ ) are frequently observed at a distance of 100 to 500 km. These distances are larger than several times the rupture di-

decreases with magnitude but decreases with distance from the epicenter. In addition, radon anomalies are observed most frequently at distances less than 100 km from the epicenter, as prior to small earthquakes, indicating that the preparation zone increases in size as magnitude increases. The pattern of radon anomalies does not appear to be consistent with epicenter distance in that the larger, the earthquake magnitude, the farther away the larger anomalies are observed. The preparation zone occurs at the distance of the earthquake where the stress is accumulated and the strain rate forms an almost continuous annulus that surrounds the earthquake rupture zone. The strain rate is a function of the rupture zone size and the velocity of the rupture zone scale with the earthquake magnitude.

Model calculations indicate that strain levels of at most  $10^{-6}$  are sufficient to cause radon anomalies. If these strain levels are produced by the appropriate precursor strain rates for the appropriate precursor time window, the strain rates from  $10^{-9}$  day $^{-1}$  to

between pore pressure and the rock matrix caused the anomalies. Large changes in orientation of the local strain field, however, could occur and affect the local stress intensity factor. Since changes in the stress intensity factor can result in stress corrosion, the occurrence of rock anomalies is attributed to slow crack growth controlled by stress corrosion in a rock matrix saturated by groundwater. (Rock corrosion, earthquake prediction, stress corrosion rates, stress corrosion).

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A simple model is presented for the study of internal consequences of ridge subduction. The geological process is modeled as a ridge plate moving east at a finite rate and being subducted beneath a passive ridge plate moving west at a finite rate. The model is applied to the ridge system between the Pacific and North American plates. The results have been investigated, calculated results indicate that the depth of thermal perturbation of a ridge is inversely proportional to plate width. Thus, the model will predict that the ridge depth for large ridges if the ridge axis is parallel to the direction of plate motion. However, study of thermal disturbance in a fixed rock, independent of ridge length (H. H. Haxel, 1967) has indicated that the ridge depth is proportional to ridge width, subduction, moving heat sources. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, Paper 11111

ASU International, College Station, Texas 77843-3133. The notion that plate motions result from forces associated with plate boundaries (e.g., slab pull, ridge push, transform resistance) is the dominant paradigm of plate tectonics. However, the nature and geometry of plate boundaries, relative to the properties of continental lithosphere, is not the product of a general theory of lithospheric deformation. In this paper, we use a global database of plate boundaries (ridge, transform, subduction, continental drift) to evaluate the relative importance of different plate boundary types. We find that the majority of plate boundaries are of the transform type, and that the majority of plate boundaries are of the transform type. We find that the majority of plate boundaries are of the transform type, and that the majority of plate boundaries are of the transform type.

is a remarkably good predictor of average plate velocities, within an error of 0.50 cm/s, a correlation coefficient of 0.97. In 1971 a balance between these two types of models, consistent with the results of force-balance models. The constant term includes all forces not explicitly considered, and suggests that the net effects of such forces are about equal for all plates. Finally, because the parameters for any particular plate are independent of all other plates, the success of this simple model strongly suggests that the forces which drive plate motions are intimately related to plates themselves.

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SYSTEM NEW TECHNIC, GEOCHEMICAL, AND MAGNETIC DATA

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Extensive geophysical, deep tow camera with preliminary geochemical and magnetic studies, a 1982 cruise to the Juan de Fuca Ridge, along

The present-day occurrence of superficial lignosity at the northern stp of the active "Propagator" has been identified by dredging camera work; the tip appears curved, or slightly, to the west, does not correspond to the maximum depth of the central magnetic area (Livers et al., 1974), and spreading has occurred beneath sediments farther north. Iron and titanium in fresh glasses from the volcanic zone exhibit a progressive enrichment toward, then a pronounced reversal to "normal" concentrations in the vicinity of Cobb Offset.

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